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THE FOLLOWING REPEATS SECSTATE 018322 ACTION BONN  
ANKARA BERN BRUSSELS COPENHAGEN DUBLIN THE HAGUE  
LONDON LUXEMBOURG MADRID OTTAWA STOCKHOLM ROME  
TOKYO VIENNA EC BRUSSELS OECD PARIS 25 JAN 75. QUOTE:

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG, FR

SUBJECT: FRENCH STATEMENTS ON PREPARATIONS FOR CONSUMER/  
PRODUCER DIALOGUE

REFS: (A) BONN 1139; (B) PARIS 1956

1. YOU SHOULD INFORM HERMES AND OTHER APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS THAT FRENCH STATEMENTS REPORTED IN REF (A) DO NOT REFLECT THE US POSITION. FRENCH MFA OFFICIAL CABOUAT HAS MOST RECENTLY REAFFIRMED UNDERSTANDING OF US PRECONDITIONS FOR PREPARATORY MEETING REF (B).

2. OUR VIEWS ON THE CONSUMER-PRODUCER DIALOGUE HAVE NOT CHANGED AND WE WISH TO AVOID ANY MISUNDERSTANDING ON THIS POINT. THE US CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN STRICT CONDITIONALITY BETWEEN CONSUMER SOLIDARITY AND THE BEGINNING OF A MULTILATERAL DIALOGUE WITH PRODUCERS. AS AGREED UPON AT MARTINIQUE AND ACCEPTED BY THE IEA GOVERNING BOARD IN

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ZCEMBER, THE FIRST SEQUENTIAL STEP IS THAT SUBSTANTIAL

PROGRESS BE MADE IN EACH OF THE AREAS OF ENERGY CONSERVATION, DEVELOPMENT OF EXISTING AND ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF ENERGY, AND FINANCIAL SOLIDARITY. WE ARE GRATIFIED THAT CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS IS BEING ACHIEVED ON FINANCIAL QUESTIONS AND WE EXPECT THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO SIGN THE OECD FINANCIAL SOLIDARITY FUND BY THE END OF FEBRUARY.

3. HOWEVER, IN THE OTHER TWO EQUALLY IMPORTANT AREAS OF CONSERVATION AND ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF ENERGY, FURTHER PROGRESS REMAINS TO BE ACHIEVED BEFORE THE US CAN AGREE TO PROCEED WITH A PREPARATORY MEETING WITH PRODUCERS. THE US HOPES THAT PROGRESS CAN BE REALIZED AT FEBRUARY IEA GOVERNING BOARD MEETING. IN BOTH THE STANDING GROUP ON LONG-TERM COOPERATION AND GOVERNING BOARD, THE US IS EITHER IN THE PROCESS OR SOON WILL BE SPECIFYING OUR POSITION ON WHAT WE FEEL SHOULD CONSTITUTE SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS.

4. ALL ADDRESSEES SHOULD USE ABOVE IN INSURING THAT THE US POSITION ON THESE ISSUES IS FULLY UNDERSTOOD.

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